

THIS HISTORIC SPOT IS TO BE PR ESERVED AS A NATIONAL PARK

Gen. Greene, in January, 1778: "In all human probability the army must dis-

It was at this time that the prospect

for American independence was darkest. If it had not been for the per-

Sonality of Washington, the discordant elements in the army would have con-

quered and the fight for liberty would

have ended. As it was, however, the troops remained to suffer as a means of

preparation for the glorious victories

that followed this hard experience. Upon one elevation, within a short

walk of the headquarters, rested

Wayne's command, the Philadelphia

Virginians, Poor's New Yorkers and Glover's Massachusetts minutemen. At

was Muhlenberg. From Wayne's head

quarters to Woodford and from Valley Creek to this redoubt on the Schuylkill

is a stretch of ground more hallowed

AN ENTHUSIASTIC WORK.

strange that there should be men and

Under such circumstances it is no

nental army stand ready to make ap-

been acquired.

any similar field in the country.

he end of the line, flanked by a

Patriotic Societies of Pennsylvania Are Urging the State to Acquire More of this Historic Land.

Historic old Valley Forge, the spot that played such an important part in the early history of this country, is to State of Pennsylvania has acquired doubt that commanded the Schuylkill, one-fifth of the field that was once occupied by the Colonial troops under Washington, and efforts are now being made to persuade the Legislature est of the with memories and associations that ere is every likelihood that it v e done bemany months hi e passed, the will soon become a public park.

uld fail to grant the requests of the women ready to go to any expense and po itioners who are interested in this trouble to make this field a public park p. fect, it is quite probable that the The strange thing is that it has not pe riotic societies of the State will take been done before. Now that the movethe matter in hand and will gain pos-session of property, purchasing it not probable that anything will stop it collected by popular sub- The women of the country saved Mt. the members of the patriotic societies are de- dence Hall, so who shall say that they

termined that Valley Forge, with all wil not succeed in securing Valley its historic associations, shall cease to Forge to make it a lasting monument be the property of private individuals, to the heroism of the men who wrested , it shall become historic park to which the public shall ion of the British king? have free access. Under the circumstances, therefore, it is more than prob-able that in some way the scheme will siasm that has been aroused by the

The idea of taking this means of preserving this relic of the Revolutionary War originated with the members of the Philadelphia chapter of the Daughthoroughly discussed and a committee was appointed to ascertain the exact subscribed. condition of the old encampment and or the patriotic societies acquire the property on which the Continental army passed through such a heroic test whose men formed part of the Continental whose m to take steps to have either the State

of patriotism.

A PUBLIC WORK.

As the State had already obtained propriations to erect monuments to their troops as soon as the ground has possession of a portion of the field, in-cluding the old Washington headquarters, it was fest that the State was the however, the auth clined to take the stand ready to se properly carried to ough in order that the house and grounds shall become a permanent and cared-for monument to the fight for American independence.

nearly 2,000 acres of rolling meadow land, broken here and there with wood-ed hills. It is just south of the Schuyl-kill and is within easy distance of Philadelphia. The old stone mansion that was occupied as headquarters by Gen. Washington faces the railroad station, while bout a quarter of a mile further south is the root where the first head-quarters stood. The building has now been demolished. A few feet from there is the bubbling spring from he troops obtained their water. A st below, on the farther side of the str. m is the site of the old forge,

built in 1757, from which the spot takes its name. Near this spot, extending in a zigzag line north and south for a quarter of a mile, are remains of the old entrenchments thrown up by the troops. They are still easily distinguished by the irregular and scattered heaps of stones and the uneven elevation of the greensward. To the right of the old entrenchments

are the foundation stones and decayed timbers of Fort Washington, which once served as the eastern bulwark of the camp. About a quarter of a nor quarters used by Knox, while on the other side of Valley Creek is the site of Lafayette's headquarters, where the original buildings still stand, little changed by the years.
TWO FAMOUS MOUNTS.

The new park would include nearly all the spots that have been made famous by history. Mount Joy and Mount Misery, two of the most interesting elevations on the place, would certainly be included, for these little hills meant much to the ragged troops who fought death by disease and starvation so bravely during the crucial winter of

It was just after the disastrous bat-tles of the Brandywine and Germantown that they went lito camp and six months of terrible suffering followed. In a recent address Dr. Paxton called it the "Rebellion of the Stomach." has an army gone through such privations. It was man-kind's great struggle for liberty and the grounds on which they fought this terrible fight tell the story in a mute

but powerful way."

To describe the horrors of that winter in detail would be almost unnecessary. Every child who has read the history of the country knows of the dreary huts in which the Continental soldiers suffered. Ragged and halfstarved, and without shoes, blankets or proper clothing, they slept through the winter on the bare earth. In the daytime they left footprints of blood on the frozen ground. Then came disease to add its terrors to those of famine and cold, the fevers that burned the body and the chills that racked the bones, and then, as if this was not enough to try any ordinary spirit of patriotism, the smallpox that all feared and no one understood. Under such circumstances it is not strange that Gen. Varnum should bave written to THE VALE OF CASHMERE.

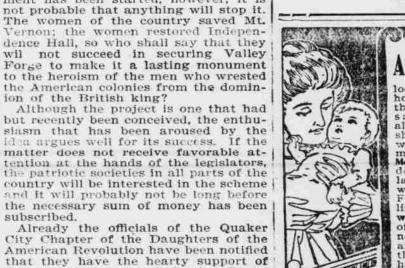
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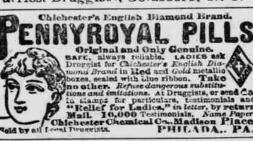
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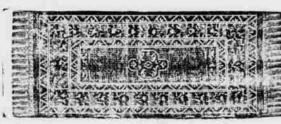
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